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SUBJECT: MEDIA REACTION: COPENHAGEN, MYANMAR; NEW DELHI.

This countrywide cable reports on relevant media reaction/opinion from India's large non-English press. The Mission reports on English-language media via email through the daily "Early Edition" summary.

COPENHAGEN

¶1. "FOR A CONSENSUS," editorial in November 17 centrist Hindi daily, DAINIK HINDUSTAN: "The Danish Prime Minister Lars Rasmussen, who is leading the group overseeing the UN climate conference in Copenhagen, and leaders like President Barack Obama do not want binding deals on emission cuts. President Obama and other world leaders gathered at the APEC forum agreed on Rasmussen's proposal which aims to strike a political deal that will push a more comprehensive binding deal down the road. The problem is that due to political compulsions, neither the developed countries nor the developing ones can afford to change their attitudes immediately. There seems to be no hope for any accord at Copenhagen."

MYANMAR

¶2. "OBAMA'S FOREIGN POLICY ACCOUNTS FOR SMALLER COUNTRIES LIKE MYANMAR," editorial in November 18 centrist Marathi daily, LOKMAT: "U.S. President Obama

is the first president to meet with the entire Association of Southeast Asian Nations in Singapore, including the military junta of Myanmar. It is said that he personally demanded the country's leaders release political prisoners, including opposition leader Aung San Suu Kyi, and he urged the authorities to ensure upcoming elections are free and fair. It is rather welcome that the president has devoted his energies to small countries with weak voices."

ROEMER